(b) whether there is any proposal to increase the capacity of this training institute and develop it as an institute of adventurous sports; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE 1N THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) The year-wise break-up of the number of people trained in the Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Uttarkashi (Uttaranchal) during 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 (upto June, 2005) is as under:—

2003-04	1051
2004-05	1207
2005-06 (upto June, 2005)	631

(b) There is no such proposal at present.

(c) As reported by the Ministry of Defence, the Institute's infrastructure is designed to cater only to mountaineering training which is its primary objective.

Increase in Grant-in-aid

2654. SHRI LALITBHAIMEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes in force to develop play fields, constructing swimming pools, stadiums indoor and outdoor by Educational Institutions at District and Taluka levels;

(b) how many proposals for the projects mentioned at (a) was sanctioned to State of Gujarat and to NGO's working in the field of Sports and Education in Gujarat during the last three years from 2002-03 to 2004-05;

(c) whether it is a fact that because of high sharing percentage of the project grant, less proposals are entertained and sanctioned; and

(d) if so, whether the review is being made to increase grant-in-aid percentage to the proposals from Educational Institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):(a) At present, there is no Centrally Sponsored Scheme in force for development of sports infrastructure.

However, till 31.3.2005, this Ministry was operating the scheme for development of sports infrastructure including play-fields, swimming pools, stadia etc. Under this scheme, assistance was provided for viable proposals received from the States. This Centrally Sponsored Sports Infrastructure scheme has been transferred to State sector w.e.f. 1.4.2005.

(b) The details of projects sanctioned to the State of Gujarat including NGOs and educational institutions for development of infrastructure as mentioned in (a) above, under the following infrastructure schemes, during the last three years from 2002-03 to 2004-05, are given below:

SI. No.	Name of the Scheme	Projects sanctioned		
		2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1.	Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure	…	… ...	2
2.	Grants to Rural Schools for purchase of sports equipment and development of playfield	3	4	2
3.	Grant for promotion of Sports in Universities and Colleges	3	10	14

(c) No, Sir. Viable proposals were considered as per approved pattern of the schemes.

(d) In view of (a) above, does not arise.

Construction of regional centre for SAI

†2655. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the reasons for slow progress in the construction work of Central Regional Centre of Sports Authority of India and by when it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): Delay in finalizing tender of hostel and multipurpose Hall, stay granted by Hon'ble High Court in laying of synthetic track, delay in resolution of dispute pertaining to access in construction of boundary wall are the important reasons for not completing the sanctioned

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.